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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

Serial Nos.

Part B for Nov 21

SUBJECT.
*Improvement to the Pond on the
Harighatta Hill*

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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NOTES.

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FILE HEADING.

Improvements to the pond on the Karighatta Hill.

From

From the Ch: Engrs of Bangalore, Mysore -

No. 801

Dated 27-7-21

Received 29-7-21.

Diary No. 269

Enclos. 2 Spare Copies.

Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Forwards for orders a copy of the petition from Swami Daya Sagara Bhishmachar on the subject and also copy of the Western Circle Suptg Engr's letter, stating that it is not justifiable for Govt. to spend money on this work & that the work, if necessary, will be undertaken if necessary funds are found -

NOTES AND ORDERS.

The recorded collection Aug 324-17-169 on the subject is put up for refce -

✓ The Dy: Commr. having reported in his letter no. 142 of 18-19 of 6-6-19 that the devotees did not come forward to contribute a moiety

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of the estimated cost, that the pond was not an urgent necessity, as there was no difficulty for water during jatra time and that it would be a waste of money to spend such a large amount on the pond in question, the Ch: Engz was informed in this office letter no. 34/Muz 324-17-9 & 4-7-19 that the question may be considered as dropped.

3. The Supt: Engz, Western Circle, in his letter to the Ch: Engz, ^{while} ~~has~~ expressing the same opinion, states that if the temple authorities persist in their demand for water on the hill & will undertake to find the money, ~~twice~~ ^{twice} the P.W.D. to do the work, he would submit a detailed estimate for Rs 500/- for the necessary work to the pond.

11. Subd for orders

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11/8/21 & 12/8/21

The question, which has been re-opened by the Engineering Dept at the instance of Mr. Bheesma Chari, has been dropped, in the circumstances referred

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By the Superintendent Engineer
(First Member) Uf 13/8/21

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6. Agree - Petur has the endorsement according
Reel
19.8.21 - Draft Uf 14/8/21

No petition has been presented to Govt by
the petrs. It is subd for orders as to whether
it is necessary to ~~order~~ give him an endorse-
ment. May the Ch: Engr's letter be recorded
with the observation that the question,
may be considered as ~~dropped~~ dropped.

88-9. The Chief Engr may be replied
20-5-21 accordingly & asked to send suitable
End: in the matter to the Govt.

88-20 6-21 10. By. Draft Uf 20/6/21

" Draft subd

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First Member Uf 25/8/21

12. Engr's approval

Reel
29.8.21-13.

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To the Chief Engineer of Mysore.

No. 1241 d. 2.9.21. — States that in the circumstances reported by the Dyptdg. Engineer, Western Circle, the question of improvement of the above pond may be considered as dropped and that a suitable reply to the petitioner may be given.

- 3 petition d. 20.8.21 from Yuvani Bhishma-
chan of Kanighatta, Yeringapatam Taluk
States that the Dyptdg Engineer
has estimated the above work at Rs. 500,
out of which he is prepared to contri-
bute Rs. 200 and prays that the balance
of Rs. 300 may be sanctioned from the
temple funds for the benefit of the tem-
ple and its devotees.

14. Dyptdg. for orders with the connected file
M.V.

The work has been considered
6.9.21. As an in which it is not
justifiable to spend money &
the matter has been dropped.

The papers may be filed, no
action being taken on this

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General and Revenue
Secretariat.

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15 Where is the sum of
Rs 191-9-10 collected
from the dealers and
referred to in the Commr's
order dated 6 June 1921
Serial No 8 in my file
324 of 17)
Does Mr. Krishna
Chari agree to give Rs 200 in
addition to the said sum?
Uf 7/3/21

subd -

17. It has been ascertained from the facts
that the amount is in the Sri Krishna-
raipendra cooperative society and that
the amount of Rs 200 which he has agreed
to pay is the amount referred to above &
not in addition - He is prepared to give
even Rs 50 more, if Govt are pleased to
grant the moiety of the cost either from
State funds or the Temple funds -

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8.9.21

In View of the
opinion expressed by the

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Superintending Engineer that
you are not justified in
expending money on this work,
I do not think that ~~even~~
the sum of Rs 250 now
applied for by pet. can be
sanctioned from the State
fund.

Put up a draft
ref 8/8/21

Draft end^d to pet. sub^d

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21.11.21

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21.11.21

The Chief Engineer
has been asked to send a
ref. to pet. and that will
be enough for the present.
If pet. sends a remonstrance, then
we may see a reply.

The Chief Engineer's
reply might not have reached
him on 8.12.21 but it must have
reached him by this time.
21.12.21

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MYSORE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

CENTRAL OFFICE,

Dated Bangalore 27 July 1921

FROM

S CADAMBI, Esq.,

Chief Engineer of Mysore, Bangalore.

To

The Muzrai Superintendent in Mysore,

B a n g a l o r e.

SIR,

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter No.34/Muz.324-17-9 dated the 4th July 1919, stating that the question of effecting certain improvements to the pond on the Kariglatte Hill may be dropped, I have the honour to forward herewith, for favour of orders, a copy of the petition received from Swami Daya Sagara --- Bhishnachar on the subject.

2. The Superintending Engineer, Western Circle, to whom the petition was forwarded for report, states that it is not justifiable to spend money on this work for reasons given in his letter No.68/L. (S-22) dated the 14th July 1921 (copy enclosed).

3. The work will be undertaken on the lines suggested by the Superintending Engineer, if necessary funds are placed at the disposal of this Department.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

R. M. S. ...
FOR CHIEF ENGINEER ...
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T.R.S./25-7.

Letter No.246/1921 dated ~~24th June~~ 1921, from Swami
Dayasagara Bhishmachar, to the Chief Engineer of Mysore, -----
Bangalore.

I submitted my application to the Dewan Sir M.Visves-
wariah on the 21st June 1915 soliciting him to make provision
to the restoration of a pond on Karigatta Hill. The question
was pending in the hands of the Executive Engineer, Mysore ---
District for a longer time than usual and also in the

on my humble representation before you, you had the ---
kindness to entrust the Superintending, Western Circle, to ----
report the matter after personal inspection. He had the ----
kindness to inspect the spot in person and made a report to
you, vide his No.3032/W(46-15) dated 25th September 1919, -----
recommending that the cost of clearing silt from the pond on
the top of Karigatta Hill to find out how the water escapes
be met with out of the State Fund.

On his report, you had the pleasure and the ^{liberality} ~~liberty~~ of
mind to give an approval, vide your learned No.4778 dated 20th
October 1919, for Rs 200/- The work was done. The silt ^{has} ~~have~~
been removed almost. They have found out well which we call
Shi Vadi That well contains another well which we call *Shi Vadi*
The work was stopped for want of funds to proceed further.

I addressed Mr.H.B.Rice who is now in charge of the ---
Superintending ^{Engineer's} Office requesting him to inspect the spot
thoroughly suggesting him certain improvement if natural ----
water cannot be found out with all trial. He was kind ---
enough to trouble himself by the examination and his reply to
me is herewith copied for perusal.

D.O.No.116. Superintending Engineer's Office. .
Western Circle, 25th March 1921.

Dear Sir,

I agree that the items of work mentioned in your -----

letter of the 8th March should be carried out in order to water in the pond on Karigatta Hill. In addition to these, will be necessary to insert a lining of concrete to the lower portion of the pond so as to store about 4,000 gallons of water. Unless this is done, there is little chance of storing any water as the rock is badly fissured all over. To prevent excessive evaporation the small area that is lined with concrete may be covered with a thatched roof. I estimate the cost of the whole work at Rs 500/- and would like to know how it is proposed to meet this expenditure. x x x x

Yours faithfully,

Sd/- H. D. Rice.

To

M. Bhishmachar.

The learned Chief Engineer will see his way to give a sanction for this small amount in the good interest of the public or empower the Superintendent ^{Engineer} to meet the expenditure out of the fund in his disposal. The Superintendent ^{Engineer} cannot proceed independently without the sanction or the instruction of the higher authority.

I hope and trust that you will do the needful to remember your name for ever on the hill in connection of this pond.

(sd) Swami Dayananda Bhishmachar
24-6-1921

"True copy".

Assistant Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.

T.R.S./26-7.

Letter No.68/E.W.(3-22) dated the 14th July 1921, from the
Superintending Engineer, Western Circle, Mysore, to the Chief ---
Engineer of Mysore, Bangalore.

With reference to your letter No.B.126 of 7th July 1921 on
the letter of Swami Dayasagara Dhishmachar (herewith returned),
I have the honour to reply as follows:-

On the Kar^fhatta Hill, three attempts have been made to find
water or to store rain water.

(a) On the North side there is a deep excavation with a well in
the bottom in the crevices of the rock.

(b) On the West there is a well about 40 feet deep.

(c) On the South, there is a shallow pond excavated in the stony
gravelly soil.

All three are dry.

Last year, an estimate ^{to} of Rs 200/- was worked out on (a), but I am
doubtful that any good will result as the rock is fissured and ----
whatever rain runs off into it will be at once lost. I suggested
to the Swami that this should be lined but have now changed my ----
opinion.

There is no use whatever in deepening (b) in the hopes of
tapping water. The best solution of the problem is to line the
pond (c) and reopen the drains that feed it. This will cost about
500/

I do not think Government are justified in spending money
on this work. If the temple authorities desire to have water ---
they must find the money.

No one lives on the Hill. The Pujari, I suppose, visits
it daily and possibly a few devotees. The Chik Devarey Sagar ----
canal runs close by where they can get water during 7 months in the
year.

At the time of the Jatra in February, water is always let

in the canal for the use of the people who congregate there

Even if the pond (c) is lined and rain water is stored, the water will be fouled by people washing their clothes and their --- bodies in it - as there is none to prevent such acts. If the --- temple authorities persist in their demand for water on the Hill - and will undertake to find the money and wish this Department to - do the work, I will submit a detailed estimate for Rs 500/- for - the necessary work to pond (c)

"Copy".


Assistant Secretary to Government
Public Works Department.
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Diary No. of letter replied to 269

Section 1173

File No. 18-21

Serial No 71

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 27 1911

Signed by 11 7-1-11

To

The Chief Engineer of
Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to the
correspondence ending with
your letter no-B. 801 of 27-7-11
forwarding for orders a copy
of the petition received from
Swami Daya Sagara Bhisham
on the subject of effecting
certain improvements to the
pond on the Harizhatta Hill
over.

Seringapatam Taluk, and also
a copy of letter no. 68/E.W (3-22)
of 14-7-21 from the Superintending
Engineer, Western Circle, stating
that it is not justifiable to
spend money ^{on} ~~for~~ this work
for reasons given therein,
I am directed to state that
in the circumstances reported
by the Suptg Engr, the
question may be dropped.

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2. A suitable reply may be sent to the petn.
I have etc

22/8/21
Secretary

Muz: D. S. S.

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Last of enclosures.

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GEN & REV. SECT

25 AUG 1921

The Secy Department of Mysore
Govt of Mysore Bangalore21
10/2/22
8/25/22

Sir - I beg leave of you to invite your attention towards the improvement of the hill in its vicinity. You may be of opinion that the pond is useless as the hill contains the River Kaveri and looking at the foot of the hill - for want of water convenience on the hill, the devotees of the Lord Sreenivasa are not frequenting the hill to pay their tribute.

If the pond in question, which is under the restriction, ~~was~~ not contain spring water, we can make arrangements to fill it with rain water by artificial means. If you have seen the pond Chikara as it is, it includes at the foot of the hill, you will agree with me in making this pond as an artificial one by diverting rain water with 'oil' or 'b'.

The Supt Engineer has estimated the cost of the work to be a small sum of Rupees 500/- Ad. no 116 dt 25/12/22
I promise you to pay Rs 250/- out of it as public contribution. I only beg of you to give a small sum of Rs 250/- from the temple fund for the benefit of the temple and its devotees.

If a charitable man like you do not come forward to give a small sum of Rs 250/- I am sorry to say that I am the most unfortunate fellow in the world for not getting you to imparting in the noble work undertaken by me for the benefit of the General devotees of the Lord Sreenivasa who is now under your mercy & Govt protection.

Mr Aravamudan Moular your predecessor
had the kindness to encourage
attempt of this still improvement by means of
water convenience - Mr G. G. - Karasimafhar
I trust will give you the evidence to the effect
if you could take pain to question him.

You may be rest assure that the pond
the still will be very useful to the devotees
- and if we complete the work by artificial
means - the pillar above in the lower position
at the bottom of the pond will hold 6000 -
8000 lbs of water in the hot season with all
the evaporation.

The adjacent still will give us a good
supply of water in the rainy season by the
arrangement now estimated by the Supt Engineer
The small Sanction of Rs 3000 - will bring you
good credit and will be a memory of your
service in the department and the Lord
will bless you with long life & success.

If you insist ^{upon} ~~on~~ yielding to the
argument to an common sense, I can not
press upon you more than what I have now
done - You are now to sanction and I am
a temporary begging before ^{you} on behalf of the Lord.

In conclusion I beg leave of you to
anticipate affirmative reply to my earnest
representation as to what is before you
or final order either for or against or not favourably,

I beg leave to remain
in the name of the Lord

Swami Bhishunafhar
of Karifatta
S. Palam

C. B. K.
Nath Raj Kumar
Bansal
20-2-21.

A.B. I have represented the matter in person and with kind
permission I have submitted this application for orders in writing.